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In re Application of: )  
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Mike Bowling et al. )  
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Serial No.: 10/630,290 )  
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Filed: July 30, 2003 )  
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For: Method of Wastewater Treatment )  
Utilizing White Rot and Brown Rot Fungi )

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**THIRD RESPONSE TO DECISION REFUSING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)**

Sir:

The Applicant has received the Decision dated December 13, 2004. Once again, the Petition was dismissed.

However, in the decision of December 13, 2004, all but one issue has been corrected, and the only remaining issue appears to be a missing element of 37 CFR 1.47(a)(2). Specifically, the first page of the Declaration was inadvertently omitted from the submission.

Enclosed is the Declaration in the format as requested by the Patent Office. Accordingly, with this submission, the Petition is believed to finally be provided in an acceptable form.

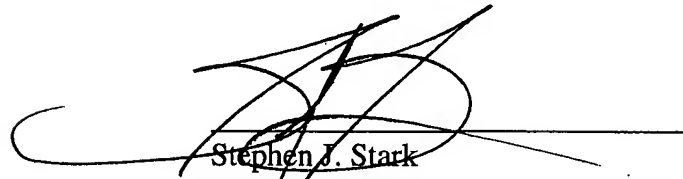
The Applicant sincerely appreciates the Office's help in providing the necessary supplemental filings to provide an appropriate Petition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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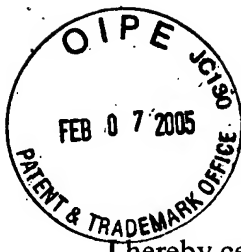
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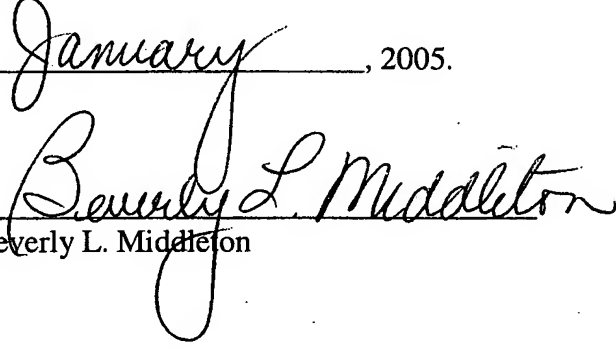


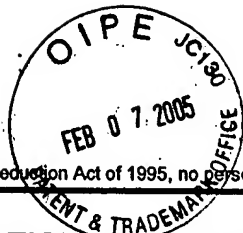
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**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
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(37 CFR 1.63)**

☒ Declaration Submitted with Initial Filing OR ☐ Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge (37 CFR 1.16 (e)) required)

**Attorney Docket Number** 10326-0001 33,212

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**Application Number**

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**As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**METHOD OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT UTILIZING WHITE ROT AND BROWN  
ROT FUNGI**

*(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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